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## The images of 1984

At the end of each year Maclean's looks back in pictures at the events, the innovators and the people that captured the attention of Canadians over the previous 12 months. In this year's introductory essay, broadcaster, author and journalist Pierre Berton concludes that a nostalgia for simpler times was a dominant theme of 1984. Designer Elizabeth Scott put together the 32-page package, with images compiled by Photo Editor Marijke Lespen and her assistants, Diane Burns, Lisa Burroughs, Hilary Forrest and Tom Sullivan. Staff Writer Patricia Huxley and Research-Reporters Sharon Doyle Deinger and Mary Bennett produced the text.

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# A takeover bid for CBC TV

By Peter C. Newman

A blue-ribbed group of businessmen is performing a serious attempt to buy the CBC's English-language TV network and private individual stations, forcing Brian Mulroney's determination to sell off Ottawa's Crown corporation. On the one hand, the proposal sounds as unrealistic as trying to buy the Parliament Buildings. But it is a carefully staged commercial proposition which its supporters had planned to make public next spring. The intention is to buy out the most profitable operating unit of the CBC—the English-language television network and sell its public mandate and run it as a profit. The takeover is backed by big money, and growing support is being cultivated in boardrooms across the country.

"We are not planning a grab of the corporation," Allan Slaight, the Toronto communications executive who is leading the assault, told Mulroney in an exclusive interview, "because we understand that first it would require an Act of Parliament to change the present broadcast act. The CBC [Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission] would then put out a call for applicants to buy the TV network and individual CBC stations." The CBC's private company controls a Toronto metropolitan-western outlet (front) and the FM rock superstation Q107, as well as Urban Outfitters Corp., which rents out outdoor signs in 20 Canadian cities. The 58-year-old broadcaster viewed not as a multi-town magazine and got into radio as a reporter with CHUM in Moose Jaw, Sask., later helping to run the entire organization and spending three years as chief executive officer and part-owner of CHUM-TV.

The idea of taking over the CBC was born over lunch on Nov. 8. Three senior executives of one of the commercial television networks, when Slaight refused to identify, outlined the concept to him, regarding that he had its organizing committee. "I was impressed with them and some of the positions they put forward," he recalled. But the CBC was due to appear before the CBC for its licence renewal on Dec. 30—a date still postponed to some time in the new year—and Slaight's notes had to be filed within 30 hours. His letter to the CBC, with a rubber copy to the president Pierre Jussim, was only four para-

graphs long, but direct in its demands. It declared that "the one has come to more certain segments of national public broadcasting into the private sector." The letter added that the CBC should renew the CBC's licence for no more than one year, holding leverage in the interim "to ensure the benefits of responsible privatization."



Slaight's serious about the takeover bid.

The takeover group includes some of Bay Street's most prominent businessmen. C. Edward McLeod, chairman of Wood Gundy Ltd., Leifur Berni, chairman of Burns Fry Ltd., Narissa Short, president of the Guardian Growth Fund Ltd., Frederic McCutcheon, president of Archimede Management Ltd., Charles J. Leeson, president of Leeson, Chetani McCutcheon & Co. Ltd., and J. Douglas Grant, president of Reptile Investment Counsel Ltd. The group's only nonfinancial charter member is Andrew Alexan-

der, president of Second City Productions Ltd., which runs Toronto's Old Fire Hall Theatre. Because the group has had so little time to organize, only one of its members is from outside Toronto—senior aide to Pierre Trudeau and a Maritime power broker.

The privatized CBC network, which Slaight and his partners envisage would be very different from the public operation. On programming, Slaight said, "We would retain the major news, public affairs, current events and sports coverage, but drama, documentaries, sitcoms and all other entertainment programming would be turned out to private sector producers." A private CBC would reduce the current Canadian content level of 74 per cent to that of CTV (46 per cent in prime time and 60 per cent overall).

A parallel organization of business interests is being set up to make a bid for the French CBC's television network. Excluded from the proposed takeover scheme would be all CBC radio stations, earlier in the takeover plan, the network and present interests in affiliates. "Of course we realize that the CBC is a national institution," said Slaight, "but it has in so many ways failed to honor its mandate to that we think it is time for a thorough and critical review of the situation. Should our group fail in its attempt to privatize CBC television—and we are realistic enough to realize that the odds are against us—we will still have accomplished a great deal by proving to the government there is no need to squander the sort of funds wasted each year." The most interesting aspect of the offer may be the Mulroney government's response to it. Declared Slaight, "Certain senior government officials are aware that our group is un-banking and are looking on it with interest."

On the face of it, the notion of subjecting the CBC to bottom-line disciplines is not as alien as some time has come. The people's network is in the financial red—some estimates of Canadian radio-telephone. Some of Mulroney's supporters clearly do not like the CBC, but the Prime Minister has consistently pledged not to matter how many Crown corporations are sold off or how much foreign money is allowed to flow in, the integrity of Canada's national institutions will be preserved. No institution among that becoming based risks higher than the CBC.

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# In the future tense

By Michael Posner  
PHOTOGRAPHY

The political new year will begin on Monday, Jan. 7, as General Arafat's conference table is a suitably austere government building, the doctored Soviet foreign minister,

Andrei Gromyko, and his tough American counterpart, Secretary of State George Shultz, will face off in diplomacy's Oldest, the long-awaited summit, commencing neither Moscow nor Washington to anything beyond polite words, a few cups of coffee and some

Soviet chocolate. In fact, there is every expectation in both capitals and among their respective allies that not long after the protagonists conclude their discussions, the United States and the Soviet Union will formally convene talks aimed at drawing, however modestly, the nuclear arms race.

Both sides have pressing reasons for resuming the arms control dialogue. The Western democracies face a swelling chorus of critic concerns about the risk of nuclear war. The arms control agenda is depressingly complex, not least because technology has outstripped the ability to verify compliance, but the West has little choice but to try to appease public anxiety by demonstrating its devotion to the task. Moreover, with his historic electoral mandate and the ability to develop new generations of antinuclear weaponry, Ronald Reagan now possesses more negotiating leverage than any U.S. president has enjoyed for two decades. As the aphoristic Shultz has put it, the trick with leverage is to "use it or lose it."

The Kremlin has its own rationale for returning to the bargaining table and it is no less compelling. The ruble's Soviet foreign policy has long been pointed at the two that lead Western Europe to the United States. Moscow's current strategy is to block American development of space-based systems by nurturing Europe's services to the militarization of space. If Washington proceeds with its so-called "star wars" program, it will inevitably sour relations with London, Paris, and Bonn—as well as the alliance's junior partners in Ottawa, Brussels, Rome and The Hague. Alternatively, if Britain supplies a weapons testing moratorium now, it will be politically difficult for her or his successors to reverse that decision later. Either way, the Soviets would benefit.

But diplomats quickly do not pay off in isolation. If only to the Europeans, Moscow itself had to demonstrate a commitment to curbing the arms race. As a result, in prior periods—a blanket refusal to even contemplate disarmament talks until Washington dismantled new theatre nuclear weapons in Europe—has been unceremoniously shelved. As Shultz—or a less dour Andrei Gromyko—might say, you can't win it if you're not in it.

Neither side harbors illusions about the prospects for early agreement on any category of missiles—strategic or tactical, ground or sea-launched. But agreement is not the object of the exercise. Whatever else may happen in 1985, both sides know that arms control will be the dominant motif of superpower relations. And both are duffing their sleeves with all the haste that decorates affairs.

Elsewhere, the international harmon

seems equally uncertain. In the Middle East, some analysts profess to see the glimmer of a potential breakthrough. Egypt, an Arab pariah after its 1979 peace treaty with Israel, has been welcomed back to the 144 Iraq, until recently an implacable enemy of the West, has restored diplomatic links with Washington. Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has defied his Syrian sponsors, President Hafez al-Assad, and forged closer ties with moderate Arab states—confident Jordan. Some analysts contend that the Jordanian monarch, King Hussein, is plotting a bid for peace, an action reminiscent of the late Arafat's 1977 mission to Jerusalem that led, in 1978, to Camp David.

But the realistic odds must be weighed: hardly auspicious the optimism. The so-called Arab rejection front stands—Syria, Libya, South Yemen—will violently oppose any kind of rapprochement with Israel. And Jerusalem, once regarded by a fraternal and amiable coalition, is rarely able to agree on measures to end its hyperinflationary economy. The nation of the current Israeli government agreeing to return the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to any sort of Arab control, let alone consent to a risk state, seems to be unrealistic. More likely, the peace process in 1985 will splinter on an already, characterized by the now familiar program of careful hints and ambiguous nods.

Not in peace visibly on hand in Central America. In El Salvador, the U.S.-backed government of José Napoleón Duarte approaches the new year facing a de facto currency devaluation that will widen the gap between rich and poor, as well as a mounting casualty toll in its five-year war against left-wing insurgents.

Democratic swords hang perilously over other nations as well. In South Africa, for one, the anti-apartheid movement is certain to gather momentum in the months ahead. At the same time, a growing Communist insurgency in the Philippines and the lack of clear lines for lifting President Ferdinand Marcos's succession may lead to an upheaval there. Other crises across include the savage drought now racing through much of Africa and the lingering problem of Latin America's massive debt. The past year's care-attained export growth—in now seriously threatened by the end of the U.S. economic recovery. For resounding debt in Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and elsewhere, New York bankers and the International Monetary Fund have lengthened the trip down on the debt bomb. But the driver itself has not yet been defused. And it, among all the explosions that could wreak havoc on the year to come, would surely be the loudest. ☐



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# The battle for a railway



Canada Southern remains: The decision may ease a rebellion in rail competition.

The Canadian Transport Commission (CTC) fate of the Canada Southern Railway first appeared to be a relatively minor matter. Last year the commission launched a routine examination of a proposal by Canadian National Railway (CN) and Canadian Pacific Ltd. (CPL) to purchase the rail's holdings. The company's well-oiled, money-lending engine—running through the corn and horse fields between Windsor and Niagara Falls, Ont.—had come perilously close to being abandoned three years ago by its Philadelphia-based owner, the Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail). But when Canada Southern's fate came before the CTC, the operation became the subject of 41 days of testimony in seven cities—the longest examination of any issue by the CTC—and raised questions about the state of railway competition in southern Ontario.

What quickly changed the affair from a matter for the rubber stamp into a prolonged debate was the entry of two other would-be buyers whose intent only surfaced after CN-CPL struck its deal with Conrail in October, 1988. The two new suitors—a Detroit-based brewery empire and a group of Canadian investors linked with a controversial American businessman—charged that the CTC was opposed to their

was only interested in shutting down the Canada Southern to lessen rail competition in the country's industrial belt. And last week they appealed a CTC decision which, if not reversed, effectively will permit CN-CPL to complete its \$2.2-billion deal with Conrail.

Since the line's beginning in 1873, the 375 km of trackways provided shippers with a shortcut around Lake Erie between New York state and the American Midwest. Conrail, which took over the line from the bankrupt Penn Central on April Fools' Day, 1978, had let the facility fall into such disrepair that three years ago the CTC ordered it to improve service or sell the line. And while Conrail decided to sell, the property was not without its attractions—most notably, a lucrative rail tunnel under the Detroit River which handles about 39 per cent of all commercial traffic over the Canada/U.S. border and a bridge over the Niagara River.

But the limited nature of CN-CPL's proposal to the CTC soon opposed fears

among the 113 Canada Southern employees that the partnership only would of Canada Southern's bridge and tunnel—now both CN and CPL have to rely on barges for their Detroit River movements—and would then shut down the remainder of the operation. Indeed, the CN-CPL bid lacked any major capital investment plans for the Canada Southern.

Those fears were echoed by the two other parties interested in acquiring the line: Trans-Ontario Rail Holdings Ltd., of Ottawa, a group controlled by the Scotch Invering family interests in Detroit, and Windsor-based Erie Express Railway Corp., owned by a group of 30 Ontario businessmen linked with Detroit entrepreneur Albert Azzoli. And jumping into the fray with all the contestants was the federal department of consumer and corporate affairs. Testifying on Ottawa's behalf, Robert Banks, a U.S.-based transportation economist, said, "The history of co-operation between CN and CPL underscores my belief that if the proposed transaction is consummated, its anti-competitive aspects will appear in full bloom." Meanwhile, Trans-Ontario continued its attacks against co-operation as the CTC hearings drew to a close last month. In early November the Canada Southern Employees Association distributed 15,000 pre-printed postcards to commuters along the railway's route. Addressed to Transport Minister Tony Martin, they urged Ottawa to favor the Trans-Ontario application.

But CN and CPL were quick to reply with details that they had any dispute plans and a wave of counterattacks of their own. Azzoli, who leads 50 per cent of Erie Express, was a favorite target of abuse from the partnership. CN-CPL filed documents at parallel U.S. hearings into the rail line sale last June which show that Azzoli still had not paid a \$167,000 federal judgment levied against him by a Texas court three years ago.

The CN-CPL bid will still have to be approved by Ottawa's Treasury Board but that will not be the end of the conflict. The line is expected to be a routine procedure. And Erie Express and Trans-Ontario lawyers launched an appeal of the CTC findings with the federal cabinet. Barring an unanticipated reversal by the government, it appears that 131-year-old Canada Southern is destined to become another one in the holdings of Canada's biggest transportation empires.

—DAVID HELWIG  
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Azzoli target of abuse



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# The smoothest since Sir John A.

By Peter C. Newman

The detailed anatomy of the Mulroney government's implementation of a new economic and social order will become clear only after Michael Wilson's 1986 budget, but the process of massive change is well under way. Its genesis in the Sept. 4 election will be 1984's stark legacy.

John paid prices at a tedious ritual, the country's professional diplomats have been discussing the arguments against Ottawa's optimistic intentions. We may indeed be dragged down by factors beyond Canadian control, but except for some spectacularly inept staff work by Wilson's officials and Joe Clark's string of top-ups, Brian Mulroney has engineered an approach a confidence-building start as that of any Canadian government since Sir John A. undoubtedly started this country.

The signs and portents of Canada's recovery began to emerge last fall, warping the consensus who had been drawing gloomy graphs of our lag behind the miracle of the great American business recovery. What happened was that the pace of Canada's economic output for the third quarter of 1984 exceeded that of the United States, and even the suspect productivity of Canadian workers was growing at a faster rate than that of their colleagues south of the border. Efficiency has at last been linked to survival.

The third-quarter results demonstrated a startling 15-per-cent real annual growth rate—more than double the previous quarter's. Part of that welcome surge was an overflow from the superheated pre-election U.S. economy, but there were also gains in our own manufacturing, especially in the automobile sector. Consumer spending stayed flat because most people had used disposable income surplus to pay off past debts. With the exception of a few well-managed companies in specialty metals, corporate profits showed signs of rising with the continuing shake-out in the financial sector denting even the cautious balance of the Big Five banks. Inflation, last season's great bogey, became a negligible factor and our exports boomed, with trade surpluses setting new highs.

The departure from power of Pierre Trudeau seemed to affect foreign investment decisions long before Mulroney had fully set our new welcome mat for outsiders to come and buy out our country. Nearly \$1 billion in foreign capital

had flowed in by the end of September, compared with only \$300 million in the whole previous year, and a net flight of capital in 1982.

Even a few of the traditional smokestack industries responded to Mulroney's preaching about the importance of the private sector's revival. Defence Inc. of Hamilton, Ont., for example, boldly announced a \$1-billion expansion program. The integrated steelmaker (headed by the appropriately named Paul J.



Wilson, the detailed anatomy will come

Phoenix) had feared new life in an industry that continues to be depressed in the United States. At de Havilland, Ottawa's perpetually troubled child, losses were reduced to \$108 million (from \$153 million a year earlier)—although staff that had to be sold to Noronair at below last price. Canair was starting a paper profit, having placed its 1984 gain of 15 Challenge, but both aircraft companies remain high on Ottawa's free-list list.

It is dubious if any government, including the wartime business/govern-

ment coalition of C.D. Howe, ever set out so deliberately to use Canada's business resources. Energy Minister Paul Carney, in effect, asked the leaders of the Alberta Oil Patch just exactly what they needed to give the industry a kickstart. Pierre Beatty, the tax reformer now rapidly succeeded in the reverse portfolio, allowed advanced rulings to companies and constructive willing to launch new initiatives—even if they were designed to avoid paying taxes.

The services sector, which first accounted for more than half the Canadian economy's output in 1963, has been showing the most sustained growth, with two-thirds of new jobs being created outside the manufacturing and resource areas.

Monetary staged an unexpected business comeback, one of the little-noticed economic signals of 1984 was that, on June 5, the value of trading in the Montreal stock exchange exceeded totals for the day on the Toronto Stock Exchange for the first time in decades.

Canada's mining sector was hard hit in 1984 because of the continuing decline in commodity prices, due to largely-borne quotations from Third World countries sought in a debt squeeze. Many of the Canadian staples—nickel, copper and iron—were being replaced by synthetic alternatives, and the outlook continues grim.

Then with a shooting war in the Middle East, oil prices are not likely to change much. Ontario Hydro protests times will for the real cost of Canada's imported crude to escalate by only 60 per cent per year to 1990.

The toughest dilemma facing the Mulroney government is that so earlier how hard it tries to reassemble the anti-dominant entrepreneurial impulses of Canadian businessmen, the pace of recovery will ultimately depend on a drop in U.S. interest rates and corresponding reduction in the Canadian prime lending rate. The two governments will have trouble living up to its promises because so much of our national finances (71 per cent of our gross national product, compared with 44 per cent in the United States) is taken up with the deadweight of budget deficits and interest on the national debt.

The Mulroney ministers would much rather enjoy the spoils of office than try to manage an economic revolution, but the state of the Canadian economy during 1985 amply demonstrated that future prosperity will require a magnitude of structural rebuilding.



# The top choices of 1984

## BEST FILMS

1. **A Passage to India.** David Lean's splendid rendering of E.M. Forster's great novel about the inability of culture, and people, to connect.

2. **48 Hrs.** Carl Reiner's tale of a year-old heist, Lily Tomlin, who comes back to life in Stone Martin's rebellious but contrived laughter.

3. **Love Streams.** John Cassavetes' hard-nosed matriarchism about an alienated writer and his melancholic, recently divorced sister, who insist that love can cure their failed relationship.

4. **Crimes of Passion.** Directed by Ken Russell. Kathleen Turner is sensuous as a part-time prostitute named China Blue in this fiery and frightening re-examination of sexual violence.

5. **Stammus.** John Carpenter's inspired romance, with Jeff Bridges as a lonely alien and Karen Allen as a lonely Earthling.

6. **Overlooked.** Directed by Joe Dante. Hordes of some of the meanest and most hilarious creatures imaginable in a movie that is as scintillating as it is frightening.

7. **The Killing Fields.** Roland Joffe's harrowing antiwar epic re-creates the friendship of an American journalist and his Cambodian colleague against the bloody, riveting background of the Khmer Rouge massacre.

8. **A Soldier's Story.** Toronto director Norman Jewison has drawn an electrifying performance from Adolph Caesar as a black U.S. Army sergeant who walks a racial edge between pride and racial shame.

9. **El Norte.** Gregory Nava's tale of Guatemalan refugees seeking a new life in the United States is a masterpiece of sensitive living up to its promises because so much of our national finances (71 per cent of our gross national product, compared with 44 per cent in the United States) is taken up with the deadweight of budget deficits and interest on the national debt.

10. **Amadeus.** Milos Forman has majestically portrayed the rise and early death of the great composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

John Newman, *Concourse O'Toole, Gerald Peary*

## BEST BOOKS

1. **Life & Times of Michael K.** by J.M. Coetzee, the finest novel of the year—South Africa through the eyes of a deformed, alienated black.

2. **PG Reed Lovers.** and the Part Quotidian by Graham Greene. Wise and fair-minded, it reveals the author's unusual understanding of Quebec's culture and social life.

3. **The Sun.** by Vassily Aksentyev. A brilliant, widely ranging novel about Soviet writers, dissidents and agents who with alcohol and wit rebel against the rigidity of Stalinism.

4. **Sea of Slaughter.** by Farley Mowat. Detailing the destruction of animal life.



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in Canada's Atlantic region, this book puts into clear perspective the almost unimaginable scale of the war's tragic destruction of the world's living resources.

5. **The Promised Land: Settling the West 1696-1814** by Pierre Berton. Writing with enthusiastic immediacy, Berton tells extraordinary stories, including our about 15 pre-prepared English writers who arrive on the Pacific.

6. **Will Whitman.** by Paul Zweig. A brilliant analysis, it focuses on a great poet during his most creative period.

7. **The Unbearable Lightness of Being.** by Milan Kundera. A philosophical examination of the public spawning of Czech Communism on private lives, written with a light touch and a highly developed sense of the irony.

8. **Foreign Affairs.** by Alison Leslie. A portrait of the lives of affairs of two American academics in contemporary London, it shows a wonderful group of the masters of Anglo-American social differences.

9. **Wife by Victoria Glendinning.** A model of literary biography, reviving the temperance life of Virginia Woolf, author and lover of Virginia Woolf.

10. **Witness and Obituary.** New York Times correspondent Raymond Bonner offers one of the most articulate indictments of U.S. involvement in Central America.

Mark Allen, John Newman, Gerald Peary, Norman Jewison

## BEST RECORDS

### POPULAR

1. **Yacht Rock** (RCA)
2. **Rocking** R.E.M. (J&R/A&M)
3. **No Stone** in Her: Jane Siberry (Dubs Street/WEA)
4. **Private Dancer** Tina Turner (Capitol)
5. **Another Black** (RCA)

### JAZZ

1. **The Tokyo Concert** Thelonious Monk (CTI)
2. **That's the Way I Feel Now** Various artists (A&M)
3. **100 Hours** Michel Petrucci (Concord/A&M)
4. **Double** Double You: Kenny Wheeler (ECM/WEA)
5. **Flu** (The) Thelma Houston (Globe/Atlantic)

### CLASSICAL

1. **Wagner's The Flying Dutchman** conducted by Herbert von Karajan (Angel/Capitol)
2. **Gershwin's An American in Paris** and **Gershwin's Fantasy on Rhapsody and Blues** by Kurt Masur and the New York Philharmonic (RCA)
3. **Shostakovich's Oboe Concerto and Lutoski's Double Concerto for Oboe and Bass** by Robert Hollander (RCA)
4. **Shostakovich's The Cuckoo Little** by Charles Mackerras (London/PolyGram)
5. **Shostakovich's Scherzetto** conducted by Charles Dutoit (London/PolyGram)

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## A gateway to freedom



Gander airport: to potential refugees, it is more than a semi-deserted way station

To potential refugees the attraction of Gander was argued in the cool-casting palaces of Eastern Bloc airlines, which inside flying across the Atlantic with half-empty fuel tanks and stopping to refuel at Gander International Airport. Every week 10 planes from the Cuban national airline, Cubana, stop there on their way from several European cities to Havana, as well as five planes from the Soviet Union's Aeroflot and four from East Germany's Interflug.

Previously, most would-be refugees used Montreal's Mirabel airport as a jumping-off point. But since 1978 the

Because of the length of their flights, all Comairwest airlines allow passengers to disembark briefly at Gander to stretch their legs in a sealed area. Flight jumpers can easily catch the attention of a security guard or RCMP constable.

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—BARBARA JONES in St. John's

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# THE YEAR AT HOME

IMAGES OF '84

**"I went out to see if there were any signs of my destiny in the sky, but there weren't—there was nothing but snowflakes."**

*Prime Trudeau, swirling the February night when he decided to resign as Prime Minister*

**"The Bobbsey Twins of Bay Street"**

*New Democratic Party Leader Ed Broadbent's turn for election opponents Brian Mulroney and John Turner*

**"The man who fought so hard and came second—but first in our hearts."**

*Liberal party president Tom Coughlin, on Jean Chrétien's successful bid to become party leader*

**"A West too long beleaguered and a Quebec too long not understood."**

*Brian Mulroney on election night*

**"We're not allowed to talk to the press or we get fired."**

*A Mulroney cabinet minister's chief of staff, denouncing government's secrecy with an Ottawa reporter*



Brian Mulroney and his wife, Rita, beamed as his revitalized Tory party swept into power. Prime Trudeau reigned after 15 years as Prime Minister, and the Liberals chose John Turner to succeed him

"After being represented in Canada by men for such a long time, it is right and proper that Her Majesty should finally have a woman representative here."

*Then-Foreign Minister Pierre Trudeau during the visit of Queen Elizabeth II to Canada's first Governor General*

"For the first time in my life, I'll have to learn the art of self-discipline."

*Oshpoler, former Ontario New Democratic Party leader Stephen Leves, commenting on his appointment as Canada's 17th ambassador*

"If Morgentaler is prepared to break the law because he thinks it is bad, then I am prepared to break the law because I think it is bad. If he comes here, God help him and God help me."

*Anti-abortion crusader Joseph Borowski of Winnipeg, after a Ontario jury acquitted Morgentaler on a charge of conspiring to procure an abortion*



Almost 10,000 caribou drowned in a northern Quebec river. NDP'er Stephen Leves became Nations ambassador. Dr. Henry Morgentaler celebrated his acquittal on abortion charges with lawyer Morris Manning.



Former Liberal cabinet minister and Commons Speaker Jeanne Sauvé was appointed Canada's first female Governor General



**"I've got a gang  
to kill on the second  
and third floor."**

*Canadian Forces Cpl. Denis Lortie  
as he stormed the Quebec  
national assembly*

**"It's a strange  
feeling to blow  
away your wife."**

*A remark attributed to  
Colin Thatcher by his former  
girlfriend, Lynn Skeddell,  
during his testimony trial for  
the murder of his ex-wife,  
Julian Wilson*

**"We have to protect  
ourselves from the  
crackpots, nuts  
and loonies out there."**

*Metropolitan Toronto Police  
Commissioner Chairman  
Philip Gosses joining the  
debate for restoration of  
capital punishment*

**"I didn't think  
I would be able to  
function on the ward  
if I let myself cry."**

*Susan Nelles explaining  
her self-composure during  
unexplained baby deaths on  
her hospital ward*

**"Something is going  
to have to give or a lot  
of us are going to go  
under. I was born and  
raised here, and it  
hurts a lot to give it up."**

*Alberta farmer Doug MacIsaac,  
who lost his wheat and barley  
crop to the disastrous  
prairie drought*



Canadian Forces Cpl. Denis Lortie stormed the Quebec national assembly with a submachine, killing three people and wounding 13 before being taken into custody



Susan Nelles and other nurses faced a Toronto inquiry into 36 mysterious baby deaths, alleged victims of a rash of police killings; Saskatchewan MLA Colin Thatcher was convicted of murdering his ex-wife



# THE PAPAL TOUR

IMAGES OF '84

"It is possible to shape a better future for all—a future in which persons are more important than profits."

Pope John Paul II, in Fiat Rock, 1984

"All of a sudden he came over and kissed me on the forehead. Oh my God."

Michelle Ryan, 8, when the Pope visited Edmonton's St. Joseph's Basilica

"I am a little uneasy about what he says about women, but I still love him."

Sophie Charette, a teenager at the Montreal youth rally for the Pope

"It was like a tune-up job for me. It's the head of the corporation coming to give you a boost."

North Bay, Ont., crowd. Rev. Mark Bely

"His hand was warm and reassuring, and I felt surrounded by him."

Melanie Bogen, 28, of Las Mesquitas, Tex., after meeting the Pope



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# THE YEAR ABROAD

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"All attempts to destroy democracy by terrorism will fail."

*British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher shaken but still determined after the Brighton hotel bombing*

"If I die today, every drop of my blood will invigorate the nation."

*Indira Gandhi at an election campaign rally the night before her assassination*

"One of my greatest sadnesses is that there are many in this country who are not joining in celebrating something that is an honor for this country."

*South African Bishop Desmond Tutu, a vocal opponent against apartheid, after receiving the Nobel Peace Prize*

"Who cares what color the cat is as long as it catches mice?"

*Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping on the occasion of capitalism and communism in the future Hong Kong*



An IRA bombing in the hotel where Britain's ruling Tories were meeting killed five people. India's new prime minister, Rajiv Gandhi, lit the funeral pyre of his mother, Indira, who was slain by her Sikh bodyguards.

**"The problem isn't make-up on the face, it's the make-up on those answers that gave me a problem."**

*Mondale, defending his use of facial make-up for a televised debate with Reagan*

**"I'll challenge him to an arm wrestle any day."**

*Reagan's response to allegations from Mondale supporters that, at 72, he was too old to be President*

**"I'm going hunting. . . hunting for humans."**

*Overplayed security guard James Oliver Huberty, before killing 21 people and wounding 28 more in a shooting spree at a McDonald's restaurant in San Ysidro, Calif.*

**"Would you buy a used car from me?"**

*Former automobile John DeLorean, making an ill prospectus after a California jury found him not guilty of conspiracy in distributing 275 million worth of cocaine*



U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale broke new ground with a women's rumble, Governor Parnell, but Ronald Reagan, with his wife, Nancy, saw himself re-elected with a record-breaking majority



Iran's election yielded a stalemate, which was broken when Labor's Shimon Peres (above) and Likud's Yitzhak Shamir formed a unity government; moderate José Napoleón Duarte won the presidency of El Salvador



"Let his grave be the shrine around which all Poland can be reunited."

*Solidarity leader Lech Wałesa, on Józef Porycki's murder*

"We need no military superiority. We do not intend to dictate our will to others. But we will not permit the military equilibrium that has been achieved to be upset."

*Konstantin Chernenko, addressing the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party*

"It is my duty to fight for Islam."

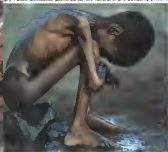
*Ahmed-Jamali, a 19-year-old Iranian soldier captured by Iraqi forces*

"This crisis should not be happening. We have no real excuse."

*Former agriculture minister Agostino Wilentz on drought in grain-producing Illinois*



Many Polish dissidents gathered for the funeral of pro-Solidarity priest Józef Porycki, assassinated by security police



An industrial gas leak in Bhopal, India, killed at least 2,500 people and injured thousands more. Thousands starved in Ethiopia's drought, Yuri Andropov died, and Konstantin Chernenko emerged as Soviet leader

# VISITS AND CELEBRATIONS

IMAGES OF '84

"In heavy wind it is hard to work up here. You have to hang on like a monkey."

*British seaman Kathleen Darlow, a crew member of the English mail ship Cloude de France, as he worked 60 feet above the deck*

"There's some magic there, really. My hand shook while I focused my camera on her."

*Schindler's John, London from Marion, New Brunswick, N.B., when he saw the Queen in Moncton*

"Let it be said of Canada, and of Canadians; that we saw the crisis; that we did act; that we took risks . . . that we have done what we could to lift the shadow of war."

*Then prime minister Pierre Trudeau speaking up for worldwide peace missions in the Commons in February*



The last ship retraced Jacques Cartier's voyage of discovery to Canada 450 years ago. On



March 5 and Prince Philip (right) walked regally on a walk that took them to New Brunswick, Ontario and Manitoba

**"You'd be surprised  
how much being a  
good actor pays off."**

*Reynold Rensselaer to a Chinese student  
during his April visit to China*

**"Just a couple of  
North American  
Irishmen."**

*Bagen, referring to himself  
and Prime Minister Brian  
Mulroney when the two  
met in Washington*

**"We have nearly  
got a full polo  
team now."**

*Prince Charles on the birth  
of his second son*

**"For me, the  
ones who should  
have the glory  
are the ones  
six feet under."**

*Retired Canadian diplomat  
Maurice Bligher, after returning  
to the Canadian embassy of  
Beijing on May 1, 1984, to mark  
the 40th anniversary of D-Day*

**"That is when we  
all grew up—right  
there on the beach."**

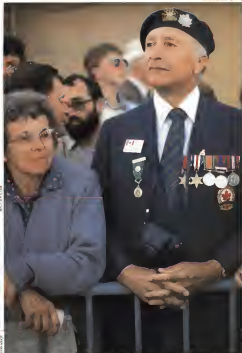
*Robert Wood of Nova Scotia, Que.,  
recalling his part in the D-Day  
evacuation of Normandy*



U.S. President Ronald Reagan's first visit to China was cordial, but did little to improve Sino-American relations



The Prince and Princess of Wales had a second son, Prince Henry; Margaret Trudeau's mirror Fred Kemper and he: a boy, Kyle, Second World War veterans gathered in Normandy for D-Day's 40th anniversary



# SPORTS

IMAGES OF '84

"To win the Stanley Cup and the Canada Cup in the same year... If I live to be 100, there will be no beating this."

*Edmonton Oilers and Team Canada member Paul Coffey, after Canucks beat the Soviets 5-0*

"For the first time, I'm seeing a lot of Canadian athletes who don't have those traditional feelings of inferiority. I know, because I used to have them myself."

*Gaston Boucher, at the Los Angeles Summer Olympics*

"I'm not finished with the record yet. I have a goal to set it away so that no one can touch it for a few years."

*Olympic gold medalist Victor Jarnet of Quebec, 1984, after setting the world record in the 100 m breast stroke*

"It's not 'Loserpeg' anymore."

*Winnipeg Blue Bombers fan Tom Lakowski after his team beat the Hamilton Tiger-Cats 47-17 in the Grey Cup*



Wayne Gretzky's Edmonton Oilers won the Stanley Cup; Quebec's Gaston Boucher skated to Olympic gold; and U.S. runner Mary Decker fell in her L.A. showdown with dark-hooded Zola Budd



# SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

IMAGES OF '84

**"To be able to see entire subcontinents and seas is incredibly beautiful, very moving."**

*Marc Garneau, Canada's first astronaut, during his eight-day flight in the U.S. space shuttle Challenger*

**"They were wired up like astronauts. There were tubes and wires coming out of them like a bunch of spaghetti."**

*Toronto surgeon Dr. Barry Shandling, after the 174-hour operation that separated 44-year-old twins from Durban, Jan. and Wyn Miel*

**"I'd like a can of beer."**

*Indiana grandfather William Sulzender, Jr., two days after having a plastic-and-metal heart implanted in his chest*

**"There are a lot of sentimental ways of talking about the heart, but it's just a pump. The soul of a human is in the brain."**

*The mother of unidentified "Baby Doe," a month-old California infant who survived 10 days with an implanted balloon heart*



Astronaut Bruce McCordless soared in space with a jet backpack; an artificial heart gave William Sulzender a second chance; Toronto surgeons separated almost twins



# ENTERTAINMENT

IMAGES OF '84

"I love to create magic, to put together something that's so unusual, so unexpected, that it blows people's heads off."

Rock music superstar  
Michael Jackson

"No one will ever be able to verify my story 100 per cent. It is impossible. The publishers will be mad, but I say, 'If you don't believe me, don't buy the book.'"

*"Jenny," the self-proclaimed female  
intelligent leader and principal  
character in Toronto writer  
George Jonno's controversial  
book, Vancouver*

"Our cultural organizations are facing a time of terrible crisis. They're being wiped out by our own government."

*Norfolk Margaret Lawrence, on  
budget cuts for the CBC, Canada  
Council and National Film Board*

"I am sure Mr. Mulroney will forgive me—it's the best job one could be offered in Canada."

*Actor/director John Neville, on  
his appointment as artistic  
director of the Stratford Festival*



At 44, Raquel Welch evolved from sex goddess to health guru with a book on stress



Michael Jackson and his family took their dazzling show to 20 cities, grossing an unprecedented \$70 million

"Girls just wanna have fun."

*The refrain from the Cyndi Lauper hit song that became a feminist anthem for teenagirls.*

"We cannot allow the last vestiges of some type of wholesomeness to be besmirched."

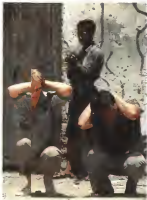
*Miss America pageant spokesman Leonard Horn, after nude photographs of 1984-bidder Nancy Wilson appeared in Penthouse magazine.*

"I don't know who he is but he looks like an over-made-up tart. I don't want to be photographed with him."

*Princess Margaret, on encountering the outrageously dressed singer Roy George at a British awards dinner.*

"It's nice to hear people say nice things about you, particularly when it's not at your funeral."

*Actor/director Warren Beatty, during a tribute to him at Britain's week-around film Festival of Festivals.*



Cyndi Lauper had four Top-10 hits; The Killing Fields brought Cambodian strife to the cinema; The Jewel in the Crown recaptured colonial India's twilight years; rocker Bruce Springsteen drew raves on tour

# THE ECONOMY

IMAGES OF '84

**"Canada is open  
for business again."**

*Prime Minister Brian Mulroney  
to U.S. executives in New York*

**"The reason may  
be 'I have looked  
for two or three  
months and have  
not found one.' The  
reason could also be  
'because I am lazy.'"**

*Liberal External Relations  
Minister Jean-Luc Pepin  
commenting in the Commons  
in June on the problem of  
jobless young people*

**"I believe that deficit  
reduction is the  
key to rebuilding  
confidence. And  
confidence is the  
key to growth and  
job creation."**

*Wilson in his Nov. 8  
financial statement*

**"The Prime Minister  
promised jobs,  
jobs, jobs. And what  
did we get? Cuts,  
cuts, cuts."**

*Opposition Leader John Turner  
replying to Wilson's  
financial statement*



Strikes shut down Vancouver's two daily papers for seven weeks and its bus for 73



Major Motors workers in Oshawa, Ont., burned a car during their 13-day strike to press for a made-in-Canada settlement



Texan corporate raider T. Boone Pickens made snipes from his threat to take over College Minister Michael Maco orchestrated the new Conservative government's assault on the latest budget deficit





# DEATHS

IMAGES OF 84



**Ivan Andropov**, 69, president of the Soviet Union. The son of a railroad worker and former head of the KGB, Andropov was generally ill for nearly half his 15-month rule. That prevented him from pursuing his campaign to revitalize Soviet industry. A hard-liner toward the United States, Andropov did not attain his stated goal of stopping the deployment of U.S. cruise and Pershing II missiles in Western Europe.



**William (Count) Baile**, 79, American pianist and broadcaster who started as a 23-aught piano player in a Chinese restaurant in New Jersey and became one of the leading broadcasters of the Big Band era of the 1930s and 1940s. He mastered a flowing, rhythmic jazz sound which one critic likened to "jumping into the centre of a whirlwind."



**Robert Bazy**, 60, the internationally known Canadian photographer who produced 22 books of photography and contributed regularly to *Life* magazine. A native of Medicine Hat, Alta., Bazy had lived in Rome since 1960, producing exquisite portrait books on several persons of the world as well as the 1967 tribute to Canada's centennial, *The Everything There Is a Season*.



**Richard Burton**, 58, the Welsh actor with the booming voice who was as famous for his storied private life—including two marriages to Elizabeth Taylor and legendary bouts of drinking—as for his acting. A coal miner's son, Burton was a successful London stage actor before appearing in 54 films, including *Grepsand* and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* He left a \$4.5-million estate, surprising friends who were convinced that his extravagant lifestyle had left him penniless.



**Clarence Campbell**, 78, strong-willed president of the National Hockey League from 1946 to 1957. In March, 1956, he provoked a riot when he appeared at the Montreal Forum, home of hockey's Canadiens. He had suspended the team's legendary right winger, Maurice (Rocket) Richard, for the rest of the season for hitting an opponent with his stick.



**Truman Capote**, 56, the American author who explored themes of innocence and corruption, such as *Breakfast at Tiffany's*. But he was best-known for *In Cold Blood*, published in 1960. A devastating account of the brutal slaying of a Kansas family, the book launched new literary genre combining journalism with fiction.



**David**, 12, the "Bible Boy" who lived just 15 days outside the life-plastic enclosure in which he had since infancy because his body could not fight disease. His surname never revealed. Houston doctors removed him from his plastic ab when a bone marrow transplant set cure his severe combined immunodeficiency disease. During those 15 days David's mother was able to hug him for the first time.



**Ruby Fae**, one month old, the human to undergo a heart transplant with a cat's heart. When the Cal's an infant, whose family name never made public, was born with malformed heart, doctors replaced with a white-tainted feline. But Ruby Fae drew worldwide attention as she struggled to survive for six weeks before succumbing to jet-lag problems and kidney failure.



**James Flax**, 32, the American gangster, who died instantly of a new heart attack while running a New Year's Eve party during a vacation. Formerly an overcast singer, he became a racing enthusiast. wrote the 1977 best-seller *The Cop's Book of Burning*. Flax rose to co-lead North American in popularity in order to increase their expectancy and decrease the risk heart attacks.



**George Gallop**, 32, the American star of public opinion surveys and Gallup poll, launched in 1935 and peering regularly in North American newspapers, helped to shape public policy. His detractors claimed polling improperly influences events, but Gallop insisted that it sets grassroots democracy.



**Indira Gandhi**, 66, the imperious prime minister of India, killed by two of her own Sikh bodyguards in reprisal for her government's role last June in slaughtering the Sikh's holy Golden Temple in Amritsar. Following in the footsteps of her father, Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first prime minister, Gandhi became the country's third leader in 1966. She acquired a reputation as a ruthless politician in her 16 years at the helm of the world's most populous democracy.



**Marvin Gaye**, 45, the sultry-voiced American singer whose minister father, 70-year-old Marvin Gay Sr., shot him to death in an argument. During the 1960s Gaye recorded a series of classic rhythm-and-blues songs for the Motown label, including *I Heard It Through the Grapevine*. Later he became a balladeer of soulful and made a big comeback in 1983 with *Sexual Healing*, which won two Grammy Awards.



**Nora Lusk**, 71, the 14th chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. Companion of the Order of Canada who presided over the court when it helped to pave the way for patriation of the Constitution. Born in Port William (now Thunder Bay), Ont., Lusk was the first Jew ever to sit on the court, serving as chief justice for 14 years and frequently taking a progressive stand on issues.



**Arthur Maloney**, 64, the former Conservative but brilliant criminal lawyer who spearheaded the movement to end capital punishment in Canada. A passionate civil libertarian, Maloney served 2½ terms in jail as Ontario's first emboldened, bolstering his reputation as a defender of "the little guy."



**James Mason**, 75, the English actor who played 136 diverse roles but specialized in portraying the suave English gentleman. In recent years the silky-voiced actor was acclaimed for his portrayal of Humbert Humbert in *Love and Doctor Watson* in *Murder by Desire*, but one of his greatest performances was as Judy Garland's co-star in the 1964 film *A Star Is Born*.



**Ethel Merman**, 76, the leucis American star of stage and screen whose booming voice became famous for songs such as *There's No Business Like Show Business*. The estranged singer was a fixture on the Broadway stage during the 1930s but went on to appear in several musical films, saying of her technique, "I just stood up and belted and hope my voice holds out."



**Mikhail Shchukhin**, 78, one of the few Soviet writers to gain an international reputation while avoiding conflict with the authorities, mainly because of his fictioning support for the Soviet system and his condemnation of Soviet writers. In 1965 he was a Nobel Prize for his four-volume novel, *And Quiet Flows the Don*, but ended Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn alleged that Shchukhin had plagiarized the epic.



**Gordon Sinclair**, 63, the Toronto journalist and broadcaster known for his kills, low ties and aggressive interviewing style. The son of poor Scottish immigrants in Toronto's Chalmersburg area, he went to work as a newspaper reporter and later became a radio broadcaster. For 21 years, starting with its debut in 1957, he was a presenter on the CBC TV show *Front Page Challenge* and delighted in asking guests how much money they made.



**Françoise Truffaut**, 52, the pioneering French film director. Originally a film critic, Truffaut went on to make more than 20 feature films, most of which are suffused with a sweet romanticism. A member of the French "New Wave" film movement, which emphasized the director's individual style, he was best-known for *Jules and Jim* and *Day for Night*.



**Peter John (Johnny) Weissmuller**, 79, the American swimming champion in the 1924 and 1928 Olympics, who young from trees, wrestled with crocodiles and played his shirt in a 1949 *20 Tarzan movies* until he retired from the role in 1957. Of playing Tarzan, he said "It was like stealing. How can a guy climb trees, say, 'My Tarzan, you Jane' and make a million?"

—Compiled by PATRICIA HUGHES

# The Ins and Outs of 1984

By Charles Gordon

**A**s 1984 got its me Canada had not yet laid out the new Orwellian winter. No one has written *Nineteen Eighty-Four* yet, so we can move confidently ahead, carrying no books, surviving at another year's worth of survival.

We were tested, sure. Politically, the first big event of the year was the LaLoche budget in February. Nobody remembers much about the budget, except that Brian Mulroney awarded a foreign trip to him it was hardly anyone remembers the press coverage of late February either, although it made big headlines at the time. What people remember about the newsworthy was that Pierre Trudeau took a walk in it and decided to resign. That decision would trigger most of the great political events of the year, including the resignation of Charlie McKenna, who earned the title of "national campaign director and clergy" for the Parti Rhénocro McKenna's decision to quit, he told a press conference in August, came while "walking in a snowstorm in Parc Lafontaine in Montreal."

Trudeau's resignation caused Paul Anka to write new lyrics to *My Way*, which he sang at the Liberal leadership convention in June. Of Trudeau, he wrote:

"He made history.  
"With national energy  
No song was written in honor of Charlie McKenna, but perhaps none needed to be.

Trudeau's resignation precipitated, in addition to a song, a leadership race. The largest event in the race was the entry into it of John Turner, whose decision to run was announced in a chiseled hotel room, complete with simultaneous translation booth and a red carpet upon which Turner entered to make his surprise announcement. "There's nothing imperial about my arrival here," he said.

Defeated by Bellegarde, a scandal involving the serving of imported French butter in a posh external affairs press conference room, the Liberals surged in the Gallup poll. It is estimated that as much as 86% of the taxpayer's money was squandered in the purchase of French, as opposed to domestic, butter but a poll taken only a few days after the scandal broke revealed that the Liberal vote had risen by 18 percentage points,

Allen Fotheringham is on leave.

while the Conservative share had declined by eight. The more free-spirited of Canada's political journalists saw in this the confirmation of a theory: that Canadian political parties are always more popular when their leader has resigned. Later, the Liberals filled their leadership vacuum and lost the election. Interestingly, it was a year of increasing recognition for Canada. Questioned in a worldwide Gallup poll, 82 per cent of Britons said they thought Canadians had a great deal of freedom. Another 22 per cent thought we had some freedom, and 19 per cent thought we had little or none at all. The premier of China, the Pope and the Queen visited, each bringing a poem replete of sorts, although most of the British ones stayed home. This did not stop British newspapers, such as the *News of the World*, from providing vivid coverage of the royal visit, with headlines such as "Shards off our Queen," after an Ontario

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in cabinet minister allegedly touched a royal officer. Later, *London's Sun* would give us "Pet shock for Queen," after the British marjorine chose.

Not all foreign press coverage was disrespectful. Prime minister did a cover story on Brian Mulroney after his election, allowing Mulroney to say, "If I were the President, I would walk up every morning and say 'Thank God for Canada.' " The President of the United States had not known about this back in June when he talked to Mulroney's predecessor in London about the Canadian peace initiative.

"Demmit, Pierre," Reagan said. "What the hell man can take to get these guys back in the cable?" Trudeau, in all his 15 years in office, had apparently neglected to tell him what he would say every morning if he were President.

Canada was also recognized by another important American, the commander of baseball, who attacked the federal government's sports pool. As it turned out, the sports pool, operating under a disclaimer saying that major-league baseball had nothing to do with it, took a bath and the Tories dumped it.

This was one of the major sports events of 1984. Others were the riots in Edmonton after the Oilers won the Stanley Cup and the riots in Detroit after the Tigers won the World Series.

In the area of culture and lifestyle, the year got off to a good start when a newspaper list of Ins and Outs for 1984 put Mulroney on the Out list, along with large buffet dinner parties. Worried about incoherence to shoppers and possible injury to participants, the city fathers of Ottawa discussed setting aside a designated breakfasting area. In the United States the National Coalition on Television Violence condemned Disney episodes, with particular reference to the incident involving Three Little Pigs, the boiling water and the Big Bad Wolf. The news director of a radio station in Iowa recovered from reports suffered when he got an electrical shock while broadcasting from a hot tub. The December issue of the *New York City-based Post* was widely banned in Canada, even though its publisher said pictures of nudist-nude women were merely an attempt to depict an ancient Japanese folk art. Many Japanese said the ancient folk art of tying up naked women was never to them.

Germaine Greer and Roy George visited. Few Canadians attempted to dress like Greer and George, but Roy George made a big impression. A social psychologist said this was "a subconscious signal of the broadcasting of one's choice to several identity or appearance." For every person who hadn't been aware that a choice was available, there were others, like the women who got caught up in the men's underwear for women area. A department store spokesman attributed its popularity to the fact that section underwent "a practical and fun." A fact that had escaped most of the men who had worn it all their lives.

Later in the year women, according to the fashion pages, were wearing men's suits. Men, according to magazines, were wearing by becoming a favorite and certain, alienist magazines Brian Mulroney spoke to a women's group in Toronto and was served a lunch of "a light yogurt appetizer, a large crunchy salad and brown soufflé washed down with mineral water." He survived and, as we know, became Prime Minister. We can only guess what challenges await the Prime Minister, and the nation, in 1985.

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